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II.—Fees Funds \$3,887,000  
III.—Life & Fidelity Funds \$17,387,000  
Sinking Fund Account \$128,110  
\$23,70,327

Revenue Fire Branch \$13,381,456  
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Revenue Marine Department \$337,39  
Other Receipts \$475,40  
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10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
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12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.  
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2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
3.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.  
NIGHT CARS.  
8.00 p.m. and 8 p.m. 9.30 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. every half hour.  
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10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.  
11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
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1.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
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NOTICE.

The Admiralty states:—

The British hospital ship *Llan Dowery Castle* was torpedoed at 10.30 on the night of June 27th, 110 miles to the south-west of Fastnet, and sank in ten minutes.

She was homeward-bound from Canada; therefore, there were no sick or wounded on board. The crew consisted of 164 men. She also carried 80 Canadian Army Medical men and 14 female nurses. Of the total of 258, one boatful of 24 was landed, and there is bare possibility of other survivors.

The *Llan Dowery Castle* was captured by the Russians, mostly by voluntary surrender, early in the war, and who are now fighting against Russia, and of the Czech-Slovak regiments of the Italian Army, who fought most gallantly on the Piave.

Many had been Austrian soldiers, while others are Slav emigrants from America. They know that they will receive no quarter if captured, and the knowledge makes them the more resolute to fight.

The Czech-Slovaks wear the French uniform in France with a distinctive National badge.

It must be noted that in this, as in all other instances, the German submarine, which had a perfect right to stop and search the hospital ship under The Hague Convention, preferred, however, to torpedo the *Llan Dowery Castle*.

The *Llan Dowery Castle* showed all the navigating and regulation hospital lights.

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SUCCESSFUL LOCAL OPERATIONS.

ENEMY TRENCHES RAIDED.

LONDON, July 1.  
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

We rushed a post in Avebury Wood on Sunday and raided during the night trenches to the west of Tarrantcourt. East County troops early in the night made a successful minor operation to the north-west of Albert and captured 34 prisoners and some machine-guns, and improved their positions. A counter-attack was beaten off.

Hostile artillery was active to the north of Albert south-east of Arras, eastward of Rebecq, and in the neighbourhoods of Morris and the Ypres-Comines Canal.

During the past month the war has resolved itself into an affair of bombing on every fine night. Enemy planes are up, but their interference with our existence is only a fraction of what the enemy has to endure from ours in the Rhineland. The sound of our engines never ceases in fine weather. Blazing buildings nightly illuminate the countryside.

Last night's affair north of Albert was one of the many recent acquisitions of ground which in future we will turn to account. This is the second local advance in the same salient. We have now acquired a command of the fire and observation, of which we stood in need.

BATTLE IN ITALY.

SITUATION QUIET.

BRITISH MAKE TWO SUCCESSFUL RAIDS.

LONDON, July 1.  
A British official report from the Italian Front says:—

The situation is quiet.

We carried out two raids, taking a few prisoners and inflicting many casualties.

We destroyed six aeroplanes and drove down one out of control. One British machine has not returned.

SCENE IN PARLIAMENT.

MR. BILLING RECALCITRANT.

FROG-MARCHED OUT OF CHAMBER FOR DISORDERLY CONDUCT.

LONDON, July 1.  
In the House of Commons, during the debate on the National Service Bill, the Speaker ordered Mr. N. Perrottet, Billing (Independent M.P. for Hertford), to leave the Chamber for disorderly conduct.

Mr. Billing refused.

The Sergeant-at-Arms was called in, but Mr. Billing still refused, whereupon the sitting was suspended and the attendants frog-marched him out of the Chamber.

We took 200 prisoners in those actions.

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## To-day's Advertisements

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from G. K. HANSON, Esq., to sell by Public Auction,

on

THURSDAY,

the 11th July, 1918, at 11 A.M., on the premises of The Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., Great George St., East Point,

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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell,

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## THE CALENDAR.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.  
American Independence Day.

GENERAL MEMORANDA.

MONDAY, July 8.—  
3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at  
P.W.D.TUESDAY, July 14.—  
French National Fete Day.DON'T NEGLECT YOUR  
FAMILY.

WHEN you fail to provide your family with both of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy at this season of the year, you are neglecting them as bowel comfort is sure to be prevalent, and it is too dangerous &amp; ready to be trifled with. This is especially true if there are children in the family. A dose or two of this remedy will place the trouble within control and perhaps save a life, or at least a doctor's bill. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

problem. "But now that Home Rule is to be given to Ireland as a first step," he says, "they have no good ground for opposition to the completing measure. Those of them who stand out for a Dominion Parliament are simply blocking the way to Home Rule altogether; for a Dominion Parliament is precisely what Ulster—to say nothing of Britain—can never consent to. For Nationalists, then, to persist in that demand is "simply to refuse to recognise in the case of Ulster the very plea upon which they found for themselves. And they cannot hope for that in case to have the support of American opinion. It was to maintain the Union that the Northern States fought out the Civil War. And union is as vital to the United Kingdom as it was to the United States." If England, the predominant partner, is now prepared to consent to Home Rule for Ireland, she can hardly be regarded as a serious obstacle to a scheme of Federal devolution.

Mr. Eldon Potter dealing with an affidavit filed by the Hon. Mr. Lau Chi-Puk pointed out that it was stated in that affidavit that custom invariably prevailed over Statute Law, and it was obvious that the *Tai Tsang Lui Lui* was a law which could not prevail over Chinese custom. The custom was that if the eldest son had a son, then the former has a double share.

Proceeding, Mr. Potter argued that

all the conditions were satisfied, according to Chinese custom, for the eldest son to have a double share of the deceased's property. With regard to the ancestral fund, it was never divided, but was managed for one year, in turn, by each of the sons or grandson. The other side, said Mr. Potter, had attempted to show that the testator ignored the adopted son of his eldest son, but so far from doing that they had it on file that this adopted grandson was so adopted by the express will and desire of the testator.

Mr. Potter then proceeded to argue that since all the requirements, according to Chinese custom, had been complied with for the eldest son (now deceased) to have a double share in the property, and since that eldest son's son had been adopted by the express desire of the testator, that adopted son was entitled to his father's double share.

Further argument was heard after which the hearing was adjourned until to-morrow.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.R.H. Prince Arthur of Connaught left Japan on June 29th on the completion of his mission.

"The only son of Mr. Edward Stevens, of Pagoda Anchorage, has been killed in action in France. He was a 2nd Lieutenant in the Buffs and had won the M.C. He was 19½ years ago."

A Jewish Club has been organised at Shanghai and a piece of land measuring over 20 mow has been acquired in the western district, close to the tramway terminus, and the laying out of the ground and the erection of a one-storeyed club house have already begun.

A passenger on the *Tengyuan* died on the voyage to Shanghai, and the doctor who conducted the medical examination decided to examine all the passengers and crew before giving a clean bill of health. The ship was placed in quarantine for six hours when a clean bill of health was given.

"Bartimeus," the well-known naval writer, has found a temporary billet ashore at the Admiralty as secretary to the First Lord's naval secretary. Rear-Admiral Allan F. Everett, the naval secretary, is also spinner of yarns. His account of the typhoon that nearly overwhelmed his destroyer, *Erebus*, in the China Seas some eighteen years ago is one of the most vivid stories of British pluck and seamanship ever put on paper.

Inspector Sim said defendant had been discharged from Hospital on Sunday, and probably a few days earlier he was incapable.

Defendant, when asked if he would give evidence on oath, replied he did not wish to do so, as he had only a hazy recollection of the occurrence. The reason why he consulted him, defendant said, was because he latter used to make our own flux for the fusion of scrap with other metals, independently of outside resources.

PATENT PROCESS.

The \$21,369.50 mentioned in the auditors' report last year has now been written off. The Company has every reason to be congratulated on securing the rights of this asset, for had it not done so the Pound would have had to close down for want of supplies from home. Amongst other things, it enables us to make our own flux for the fusion of scrap with other metals, independently of outside resources.

LAND AND BUILDINGS.

These have been purchased by the Company on very favourable terms, and so we shall be enabled to extend our plant from time to time as the development of the casting department justifies, and until such time, as the larger scheme is further advanced, when the whole will be reorganized as one concern. We have paid out of profits \$5,000 on taking over this property, and the small balance of \$5,000, standing as a liability in last year's accounts, has also been paid off during the current year. We propose to pay a Bonus to the staff of 20%—\$1,860, of which I am sure you will approve. It is the effort of our staff to prove the satisfactory results of the year's working and especially to our Works Superintendent, who has given so much of his extra time in the Company's interest; and, in recommending this, we feel sure we have the support of every shareholder.

THE OUTLOOK.

Our position is somewhat similar to that of last year, with the additional advantage that negotiations are in progress for the development of this concern.

There are, unquestionably, large deposits of Iron Ore, Coal, Lime Stone, and Wolfram, available in the neighbouring provinces, and I have no doubt whatever that a concession can be arranged to give Hongkong a steady supply of these articles.

I can give you no data as regards the quantity of Coal or Iron Ore in sight; but I know from written offers which have been made that Chinese mine owners are prepared to contract for the supply to this Company of all Coal, and Iron Ore required. I have not personally possessed the necessary time to enable me to inspect, with an expert, the various coal and iron fields from which it has been proposed to supply the articles, but I have strong reason to believe that these are situated at no great distance from Hongkong, and close to waterways.

WOLFRAM.

CAN YOU AFFORD THE RISK?

WERE you ever seized with a severe attack of cramp, chills or diarrhoea without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Chills and Diarrhoea Remedy in the house? "Don't take such risks. As for the Nationalists, Mr. Roosevelt makes the suggestion that it may have been their resistance to Federalism that has so long delayed the true solution of the Home Rule

## THE SUPREME COURT.

## THE ADMINISTRATION CASE.

In the Supreme Court, this morning, before Sir William Rees Davies, K.C., the hearing was resumed of the case in which an appeal for the decision of the Court is made to decide whether the eldest son of a deceased intestate father entitled to a double share of deceased's

## COMPANY MEETING

THE HONGKONG STEEL FOUNDRY  
CO., LIMITED.

The eighth ordinary yearly meeting of the above Company was held at the office of the Company, this morning, at 11.30.

Mr. A. G. Gordon presided and there were present:—Mr. F. Fisher (Acting Secretary) and Messrs. E. J. Chapman, R. Rodger, M. S. Northcote, A. Keating, C. D. Wilkinson, M. W. Mark, Yuen Cheong, P. Tester, W. Logan, P. C. Potts, F. E. Ellis, E. M. Raymond and A. N. Henderson.

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen, the report and accounts having been in your hands for some time, I will follow the usual course and with your permission take them as read. The balance at credit of Profit and Loss account, allowing for depreciation on Company's Plant, Machinery, Launches, and Stock in Trade, and including the amount carried forward from last year, is \$55,881.16. Your General Managers propose to deal with this amount as follows:

To Pay a dividend of	\$1.00 per share	\$ 7,808.00
" Pay a bonus of	" 1.00 per share	7,808.00
" Write off Parent Process Rights.	21,369.56	
" Place to Reserve Fund	1,800.00	
" Carry forward to next year's account	10,000.00	
		7,138.60
		255,981.16

This appropriation we hope meets with your approval.

When last I addressed you I mentioned that further additions to our Furnaces and other improvements were being undertaken; considerable progress has been made with this development during the year. Two new sets of Radio Furnaces have been installed, making in all ten doublets in operation at present, and we intend laying down one or two sets of Forges Draught patent furnaces at an early date, full working drawings for which are now on the way from England. The Works have been extremely busy during the year, and, amongst the orders on hand, the Company have been engaged on heavy castings for the Standardised Government Ships. We were rather doubtful as to whether we could accomplish the severe tests of material required by the Admiralty, and you will be pleased to know we have succeeded.

We are indebted to the courtesy and assistance given by the mandarins of the Taikoo and Kowloon Docks, which enabled us to keep going in shipbuilding still, for want of regular guaranteed supplies of raw material, notwithstanding the fact that the Company were engaged on heavy castings for the Standardised Government Ships. We were rather doubtful as to whether we could accomplish the severe tests of material required by the Admiralty, and you will be pleased to know we have succeeded.

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## TELEGRAMS.

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## BRITISH UNITY.

ENEMY SPECULATIONS ON  
UNDERMINING IT.DISCUSSIONS IN GERMAN  
PRESS.

LONDON, July 1.

The Times states the meeting of the Imperial Conference has occasioned articles in the German Press discussing the structure of the British Empire by professors and other so-called experts who are more modest than they have been so far. Apparently they are almost convinced that the war offers to Germany no hope of seriously undermining British unity. Canada has almost entirely dropped out of the discussion, but the Conservative journals cling to the hope "that trouble can still be made between Japan and Australia about the future of the Pacific."

The Times, in a long article entitled "Greater Britain," admits that the British Empire has manifested powerful military and political cohesion, supplemented by a strong tendency towards economic unity and Cordon union which are likely, and in which Great Britain must assist the development of the Dominions. Germany's only remaining hope is a quarrel between the Dominions and Great Britain owing to the failure of the latter to prevent the restoration of the German colonies.

THE IMPERIAL WAR  
CONFERENCE.IMPORTANT RECOMMENDATIONS  
ON POST-WAR POLICY.

LONDON, July 1.

An official report states:—The fourth, fifth and sixth meetings of the Imperial War Conference held on the 24th, 25th and 26th of June were almost exclusively devoted to a continuance of the discussions on the various phases of the post-war economic policy.

The Conference passed a resolution endorsing the principle of the United Kingdom Non-Ferrous Metal Act in pursuance of the policy of freeing the Empire from dependence on German-controlled organisations in respect of non-ferrous metals and ores, and recommending the Government of the Empire to adopt effective measures to carry out this policy.

The Conference also passed a resolution expressing the opinion that the governments of the Empire should make such arrangements among themselves as to ensure that the essential raw materials produced within the Empire should be available for the purpose of securing to the Empire and the belligerent Allies command of certain essential raw materials in order to enable them to repair the effects of the war as soon as possible, and safeguard their industrial requirements.

The governments of the Empire should also co-operate with the Allies to take for the time present command of the materials produced in Alfred peninsular.

The Conference passed a further resolution recommending that the committee of the Conference should first consider possible methods by which each part of the Empire could obtain command of the essential raw materials referred to in the previous resolution and that the governments represented on the Conference should, in the light of the information collected by the Committee, consult the representatives of the producer and trader concerned regarding the method of obtaining command best suited to each commodity.

SUGAR PRODUCTION IN THE  
EMPIRE.DEFINITE POLICY BEING  
CONSIDERED.

LONDON, July 1.

In the House of Commons Brigadier G. H. P. Croft, C.M.G. (Unionist M.P. for Christchurch), asked: "Have the Government decided on a definite policy for sugar production within the Empire?"

Mr. Bonar Law replied that the subject was being considered. He was well aware that interest was taken in it throughout the Empire.

## AFFAIRS IN RUSSIA.

EX-COMMANDER OF BALTIc  
FLEET SHOT.

Moscow, June 23.

Capt. Strelasny, ex-Commander of the Baltic Fleet who was sentenced to death for opposing and discrediting the Soviet rule, has been shot.

REPORTED MURDER OF  
EX-TSAR NOT TRUE.

Reports of the murder of the ex-Tsar are completely discredited.

GERMANS IN KIEFF BEING  
ARMED.

KIEFF, June 23. By order of the German authorities the German colonists in the Tauride Government are arming themselves.

VLADIVOSTOK SOVIET  
DISSOLVED.

SIBERIA, July 1. The Czechs have dissolved the Vladivostok Soviet.

COURLAND AS GERMAN  
TERRITORY.

LONDON, July 1. In connection with Herr von Kuehnemann's declaration in his last speech in the Reichstag that Courland is already regarded as German territory, a telegram from Kovno significantly states that Field-Marshal von Hindenburg has issued an order relative to the land question paving the way for the German colonisation of Courland.

RUSSIAN BLACK SEA FLEET.

SOME OF THE WARSHIPS  
SUNK.

LONDON, July 1. In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. J. King (Liberal M.P. for N. Somerset), Mr. Bonar Law confirmed the report that a large part of the Russian Black Sea fleet had unfortunately fallen into the hands of the Germans.

The Government had reason to believe that the Russian sailors sank some of the warships in order to prevent the Germans taking possession of them.

HOUR OF JUSTICE IN RUMANIA.

FOREIGN MINISTER'S  
LAMENT.

AMSTERDAM, July 1. In the Dutch Parliament, M. Avion, Foreign Minister, declared that the hour of justice had struck. The country then ruled from Parliament the fixing on the responsibility. A part of the mistakes must be atoned for, and the crimes punished. Government must also carry out great financial reforms as the war burdens exceed £520,000,000.

He added that he was always opposed to war, and abhorred peace to save what could be saved, thanks to the credit he enjoyed with those with whom he negotiated.

SUPPLYING INFORMATION TO  
ENEMY.

LONDON, July 1. Sir Josephine Newland, Major or Sheriff, Victoria and also the latter's father, named Carl, have been committed for trial on a charge of supplying information to the enemy. They pleaded not guilty.

Mr. Jones's counsel said that his defence was that the information complained of was given in the course of business and was in no way intentionally given against the British.

THE RUBBER SITUATION.

A WORD TO SHAREHOLDERS.

LONDON, July 2.

The Financial Times says it is practically certain that the American restriction on the import of rubber will only be temporary unless the war takes a very unfavorable turn, and when stocks in America are reduced to a low ebb, recovery will set in. Evidently, under the circumstances, any reduction in output will lessen the danger of a serious fall in price and companies which can profitably "rest" their trees ought to do so to the fullest extent possible. But there is no need for panic and shareholders should not allow themselves to be scared out of their holdings. Whether any serious setback is experienced will depend largely on the prudence of managers of companies.

PRINCE ARTHUR OF CONNAUGHT'S  
MISSION.IMPRESSIONS OF VISIT TO  
JAPAN.

LONDON, July 1.

The Times Correspondent at Tokio says:—

Prince Arthur of Connaught, interviewed regarding the impressions of his visit, said the people of all classes realised the value of the Alliance and felt that it guaranteed peace in the Far East, and that everything should be done to strengthen this relationship. He had taken every opportunity of expressing Great Britain's appreciation of the Japanese Navy's work in the Mediterranean, which received scant attention in the newspapers, and also her services in the Indian and Pacific Oceans, which were kept open to the world's trade by Japanese vigilance. We, on our part, were fully conscious that Japan had behaved loyally throughout the war and was ready, if necessary, to employ her military, as she now employs her Naval, forces.

Referring to the large gathering of British Indians at the Embassy Prince Arthur spoke of the loyalty of India and said the Indian community in Japan would further show their loyalty shortly by presenting an address.

AUSTRALIAN LABOUR AND THE  
WAR.

PRAIRIE, W.A., July 1.

An enthusiastic meeting of the National Labour Party, held in the town hall which was crowded, condemned and repudiated the peace propaganda. Mr. Scadden, ex-Labour Premier, declared that the man who suggested following Russia was a traitor.

COLONEL SIR A. H. LEE MADE A  
PEER.

LONDON, July 1.

Colonel Sir A. H. Lee, K.C.B. (Unionist M.P. for Fifeburn), has been raised to the Peerage.

## THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, June 23.

Silver is steady.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## VICTORIA CROSS AWARDS.

ONE OF THE MOST BRILLIANT  
ACTIONS IN RECENT  
OPERATIONS.

LONDON, June 28.

The Gazette announces the award of seven new Victoria Crosses, all to English county regiments except one, a Canadian.

The Stories record as usual super-bravery mostly in attack. The following are examples:—

Second Lieut. Schofield, Lancashire Fusiliers, with nine men, by great daring and clever dispositions captured 140 of the enemy.

Sgt. Woodall, Rifle Brigade, single-handed captured a machine-grenade and eight men and then collected ten of his own men and captured a lair and thirty more prisoners.

A RUSSIAN AMAZON.

Vancouver, May 13.—Marie Leontine Botchkaeva, leader of the Russian "Battalion of Death," has arrived in America from Russia. She states that she is going to France to fight the Germans and she expects to die on the battle-field.

This adventurous woman crossed Siberia disguised as a peasant.

## HEREDITARY PEERAGES.

London, April 10.—Replying to a question by Mr. Joseph King (Liberal) in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Bonar Law said the Government would decline to let persons to limit peerages and baronetcies to the existing holders. He added:—"No title has been conferred upon a colonial without the knowledge and approval of the Prime Minister &amp; the Dominion concerned."

## INDISPENSABLE AT 25.

YOUNG CIVIL SERVANTS WHO  
CANNOT BE REPLACED.

Sir Auckland Geddes, replying to Mr. Joynson-Hicks in Parliament recently, said that so far as men of the present military age were protected by occupational exemption or certificates granted by Government departments with which the Director of National Service was empowered to deal, no man of the present military age would be retained in civil life unless absolutely irreplacable in his present position and his retention was necessary from the point of view of the prosecution of the war.

He (Sir Auckland) would not accept responsibility for the administration of an Act raising the military age unless they were prepared to enforce thoroughly the response from those who were of the present military age in Government departments.

Replying to Mr. Joynson-Hicks, who asked how many soldiers remain with the fixing of the age of 25 for the clean-cut

Sir A. Geddes said that many men in the Civil Service over that age had already gone into the Army, but about the age of 25 and above, they entered the region of Cossackism who were indispensable.

## "SAMMIE" OR "BUDDY?"

There may be nothing in many names but little in others, but there certainly is a lot in some. "Polly" and "Tommy" are striking instances. Those names stand for undying glory. And it is only natural that American soldiers who have come to share that glory should seek a name corresponding to those of their French and British comrades. But they don't want any old name. They want one that fits them, and out of their own choices, "Teddy" and "Sammy" have been dismal failures, and "Amer" the boys say, is too high schooly. Now they seem to have hit upon "Buddy," and the name appears to be spreading among the forces. Whether it will live and whether America's warriors will become universally known by that name remains to be seen. In the meantime, says the Herald's correspondent, "Buddy" is quite popular in the army—New York Herald.

We are waiting to hear Germany say that she invaded Russia to protect the Bolsheviks from Japan. "St. Louis Star"

## WAR ITEMS.

## HOW WAR RELICS WERE SAVED.

France, May 8.—It may interest Aussiedlers to know that when the Germans attacked Armentières a recently collected portion of the magnificent list of trophies and relics which was gathered for war museums in Australia was still in Ballarat, awaiting transport to the base. It appeared at one time that there was a good chance of getting these much prized mementoes, but a young Australian officer who was in charge of them finally managed to clean them up and sell them to the town on the day of its heaviest bombardment. Every single relic was moved from the base and burning town before nightfall without the loss of a trophy or harm to any man.

The British authorities gave most generous help, it being only by the personal assistance of the British Inspector of trophies that this important portion of a precious collection quickly and safely reached the Australian officer in charge of them in England. The only Australian relic which fell into the hands of the Germans was some which were in course of collection by a certain private Australian tunnelling company, which had opened the mine at Cambrai salient when the German advance swept over the ground, together with a few Swiss. No "tuners" either of leather or rubber goods are exhibited, but there are thousands of substitutes, especially for foods. The German manufacturers turned out large quantities of fancy goods made from substituted raw materials, which are cheaper and more plentiful and durable than the original raw materials used prior to the war. It is not true that the German manufacturers are accumulating vast stocks for foreign markets after the war. The factories are working under difficult conditions, but they will not take long to get busy after the war. Meanwhile they are supplying goods to Holland, Scandinavia, the Balkan States and Turkey."

The Berlin municipal granaries with 20,000 quintals of cereals, have been destroyed by fire.

[The metric quintal is 200.46 lb. so that the quantity reported to be destroyed would be 1,908 tons.]

## GERMAN SUBSTITUTES.

London, May 12.—The Amsterdam correspondent of the Daily Chronicle telegraphs:—"The annual fair at Leipzig was a decided success. There were 8,500 exhibitors, and many Bulgarian, Swedish, Norwegian and Danish buyers were present, together with a few Swiss. No "tuners" either of leather or rubber goods are exhibited, but there are thousands of substitutes, especially for foods. The German manufacturers turned out large quantities of fancy goods made from substituted raw materials, which are cheaper and more plentiful and durable than the original raw materials used prior to the war. The factories are working under difficult conditions, but they will not take long to get busy after the war. Meanwhile they are supplying goods to Holland, Scandinavia, the Balkan States and Turkey."

How can your Kaiser, who has, as you know, and as all the world knows, a unique and vulgar appetite for self-advertisement, reconcile his assumed peace-loving tendencies with his everlasting references to the "Maledict Fist" of Germany, to his "Destructive Sword," and to himself as the "Knight in Shining Armour?" Is this the talk of a man of peace? He poses as the Angel of Peace while behaving as the Bully of Europe.

## A NATIONAL CREED.

From their cradles your people have been weaned and trained in military discipline. They are taught that their highest aim in life is to be able to fight and kill, and they have been so instructed for generations. This teaching is peculiar to Germany. Other nations regard the killing of their fellow-men with horror, but Germans are taught to glory in it, and the Kaiser himself, supported by his military entourage and the professors and the clergy, encourages it.

Why should the nations of the world tremble when your Kaiser is graciously pleased to frown?

Why should the people of other countries hold their breath when your War-Lord is graciously pleased to rattle his sword?

Why, at the bidding of one man—your War-Lord—should the people of the world be slaughtered in their millions?

With Germany "Necessity knows no law," and Justice does not count. Truth, Mercy and Honour are, in German eyes, virtues to be practised by other nations, but need not apply to Germany, simply because Germany is Germany.

By the whole outside world, Herr Harden, Germans are now regarded as specialists in crime and experts in cruelty. You would do well to explain this to your people.

In this war the Germans—particularly the Prussians—have shown no mercy or chivalry whatever. On the contrary, they have behaved like brutes, committing abominations of cruelty, whining when their own skins are in danger, and living with impudent effrontery when their crimes have been brought home."

## A WORLD OF ENEMIES.

Your Kaiser and your Government now frequently refer to your having "a world of enemies," but have your people ever asked themselves why this so?

Why, in addition to England, France, Russia, Belgium, and Serbia—the first to face you—should you now have arrayed against you the United States of America, Italy, Japan, Montenegro, Albania, Portugal, Romania, Cuba, Panama, Greece, and Spain? And why have the further countries—China, Brazil, Bolivia, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Haiti, Hayti, and Domingo—severed diplomatic relations with you?

If they reply that it is because all these 25 nations are jealous of Cain-Brussels—Germany and of your despotic "Kultur," they know they are avoiding the issue. The answer is because they, one and all, desire that Right shall triumph over Might.

You are aware that people are being told by your Government that the object of the Allies is to destroy Germany; but you know that statement to be untrue. The Allies are endeavouring to break Germany's "Destructive Sword," and to silence the "Knight in Shining Armour." This is the meaning of the war. And this, by the justice of God, they will accomplish.

CLAIMANT TO £250,000 FORTUNE  
OF WOMAN WHO EloPED.

Threads of romance were woven into the life of Mr. Patrick Brennan, formerly a slipper-maker, who kept a curiosity shop at Preston, where he has just died at the age of 78.

In 1818 Miss Ellen Sheridan, of Belgrave, Longford, eloped with Robert Dudley Blake, a young officer whose regiment was quartered at Mullingar.

The union gave great offence to the young man's family, who are said to have virtually disowned him.

He returned to the service of America, but re-

turned to England and died, leaving all his fortune to his widow, Mrs. Blakelock, at her death £22,000.

And this was claimed by Mr. Patrick Brennan, then a slipper-maker of Blackburn.

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## FUTURE SPINSTERS.

PROSPECTS BRIGHT FOR UNMARRIED WOMEN.

## WHAT MEN HAVE TO REALISE.

There is no doubt that this island, after the war, will be a comparatively manless Eden, writes Miss Ella Hepworth Dixon in the *Lady's Pictorial*; and if there was, she adds, a shortage of available bachelors before, they will be hard to seek in the decade that is coming.

It is true that those who happily survive the struggle will certainly settle down as quickly as may be and "cultivate their garden." They will have enjoyed the great adventure, sown their wild oats, looked over in the face a hundred times, and will be back for the world's eternal affairs of life.

So there will be much sorting out, a making of nests, a re-beginning of careers, and in a vastly-changed world there will be surprises to spare for the gallant men who come back to us unharmed.

One of these surprises will be the defined status of the spinster in the English-speaking world. The girl they knew who was five-and-twenty in 1914, and who led a tedious existence devoted to feminine futilities, will be a personage with a vote, a say in the reconstruction of society, and with a profession or career of her own.

This upstanding young person may now marry above all others, or she may not, but in either case, there will be different problems to tackle. By the time the war is over she will be a thoroughly efficient person in one way or another, and sometimes her services will be found indispensable to the State.

## A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY.

It is too much to expect that every young man will want to marry a policewoman, thus domesticating a police-woman, thus domesticating in real earnest, the recording angel; nor will there be a rush for the women doctors and surgeons, except among young medical students. The youthful Asceticism who so often marries a nurse will probably prefer an accomplished young doctor, of whom he can make a partner in his business than one.

Other young outliers having radically changed as to what it is permissible for women to do, and the absurd adjective "unsexed" having been cast into the lumber-room of discarded phrases, it is clear that the young woman of tomorrow will have a unique opportunity, yet a hearing, who has never had since the dawn of history.

There have always been outstanding women who exercised great sway over their contemporaries—great queens, saints, and courtesans and reformers. But these were the exceptions which proved the rule that woman was expected to take up a meek attitude at the cradle of life, and be thankful for the crumbs which fell from man's feast.

For look how her circumstances have changed, even in three short but dreadful years. Never before in the history of the world has there been such a demand for a woman to do, and the absurd adjective "unsexed" having been cast into the lumber-room of discarded phrases, it is clear that the young woman of tomorrow will have a unique opportunity, yet a hearing, who has never had since the dawn of history.

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## WOMAN'S INDEPENDENCE.

The spinster of the future will have her profession or career, or occupy herself, if she has leisure, in some useful work for the State.

The strange and untoward experiences of this war have altered the insular point of view that nothing in connection with women-folk now seems impossible, let alone absurd. And yet ridiculous was the chief weapon with which all their struggles and aspirations were met.

In the great novels of the eighteenth century, the spinster of a certain age was always a comic—and sometimes a repulsive—character. She angled desperately for a husband, wedged up to contend as a useless and ridiculous person. A woman, even of middle years and unattractive aspect who has a vote, a profession, an income of her own is no longer unmarriageable.

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## TELEGRAMS.

The inscription is surmounted by a special device, including the Royal Arms in colour, with the initials of the King.

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BIRD AND CROWN SYMBOL.

Mounted on a dressmaker's fitting "dummy" in such a way as to give it a waist which will be the envy of the dandiest of "suds" there is now displayed at the Air Board's office at the Hotel Cecil a specimen of the new uniform for the Royal Air Force. It is a very like uniform of a delicate blue colour which will bring back in subdued form some of the old-time glory that vanished when all uniforms were changed into the universal drab khaki.

In blue, however, the uniform is not to be worn during the war except as a mess dress for officers. During the war a khaki edition is to be worn, and with zeal for economy, the Air Board has decreed that even this shall not be made compulsory until a sufficient number of R.N.A.S. and R.F.C. uniforms to wear out.

The existing type of uniform for both Services has been "washed out" altogether, and the new type is in style similar to the officer's service tunic, except that there are no shoulder straps, a cloth belt, brown belt gives place to a cloth belt, brown to the turn-up at the back and fastened in front with a bright buckle of gilt metal. The new uniforms for N.C.O.'s and men will also be blue after the war.

RANK SYMBOLS ON THE CAP.

Rank will be denoted by the badges of the Royal Navy, in khaki braid instead of gold, with a bird surmounted by a crown, or both in silver mounted in lieu of the R.N. executive cap. A second lieutenant will wear the bird and crown on both sleeves, but with no lace, a lieutenant the bird and crown with one row of lace, a captain with two rows and so on.

The cap and buttons are to be of the R.N.A.S. pattern, the former bearing marks of rank as well as the badge, and the latter a bird surmounted by a crown. Trousers and breeches are as now worn by the R.F.C., and khaki shirts and collars are to be worn with black ties.

## MEET FOR FREEDOM.

BRONZE PLAQUE MEMORIAL FOR SOLDIERS' RELATIVES.

The memorial to be given to the next-of-kin of those who have fallen in the war will consist of a bronze circular plaque, accompanied by a scroll with a suitable inscription.

The plaque is 5 in. in diameter and bears an emblematic design, with the inscription "He died for Freedom and Honour." There will be a raised tablet bearing the name of the person commemorated. The design was put out to open competition, which resulted in more than 800 models being submitted.

In preparing the scroll the committee appointed to carry out the scheme desired a short sentence or two expressing in dignified English the nation's gratitude, and some of the first literary authorities were consulted. The final phrasing is mainly the work of Dr. Montague James, Provost of King's College, Cambridge, and a sentence by the late Mr. Charles Keary, the historian and novelist, has been added.

The inscription is surmounted by a special device, including the Royal Arms in colour, with the initials of the King. It is hoped to proceed at once with the execution of the memorials, but in view of the scarcity of paper and metal it is at present uncertain when they will be available.

## CHAMP COLIC.

NO need of suffering from cramps in the stomach, or intestinal pains. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Disease Remedy never fails to relieve the most severe cases. Get it today, there will be no time to send for it after the attack comes on. For sale by all Chemists and Shopkeepers.

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SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ... Frands 45,000,000  
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subscribed by the Government of the Chinese Republic.

Chairman of

## HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Orders for Artillery Company by Capt. J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D.

PARADES AT BELCHERS BATTERY.

Thursday, 4th July.—  
5.15 p.m.—Left Half Coy. New Lovers' Class only.

Friday, 5th July.—  
7.30 a.m.—Right Half Coy. Full drill.  
5.15 p.m.—Left Half Coy. Full drill.

Orders for Engineer Company by Captain W. Russell.

Each June to 4th July.—  
E. L. MANNING NIGHTS.

Parades at our posts posted at Head-quarters. Engine drivers at 8.45 p.m. Electricians at 7.00 p.m.

OFFICERS NEXT FOR DUTY.

Belchers, Head Hall, Lytton, 2nd Lieutenant, Head, Stonecutters, Head, Steamer.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HIGHER RATINGS AND N.C.O.S. AND MEN OF THE INFANTRY.

BATTALION ATTACHED FOR DUTY.

Class I. at Belchers, at 8.30 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays for all who have not passed the "Proficiency" rate (1/4) examination.

Class 2. at Belchers, at 8.30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays for all N.C.O.s. and men of higher ratings, under Staff Sergeant, Ovenden and Parsons, R.E., and Sergeant Davis, R.H.D.C.

Class 3. at Lytton, at 6.00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays, under Staff Sergeant, Barclay and White, R.E., and Sergeant Williams, R.H.D.C.

Detail of Belchers' Belts for July, 1918, is posted at Headquarters for information of all concerned.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan.

PARADES.

"A" Company.

Friday, 5th July.—  
5.30 p.m.—Nos. 3, and 4 Platoons of Murray Parade, Ground, T.E.T. Dress, drill order with pouches.

No. 1 Platoon will parade during the week for T.E.T. as ordered by Platoon Sergeant.

"B" Company.

Thursday, 4th July.—  
5.30 p.m.—Nos. 3, and 4 Platoons of Murray Parade, Ground, T.E.T. Dress, drill order with pouches.

(Detailed by Platoon Commander) at Headquarters, T.E.T.

Saturday, 6th July.—  
Inter-Section Rifle Competition at King's Park Range. Teams of one N.C.O. and six men (as detailed by Platoon Commanders, from each section). Dress, drill order with pouches. Teams to parade outside U.S.R. Club opposite King's Park Range as follows:—

2.45 p.m. Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 Sections.

3.15 p.m. Nos. 9, 10, 11 and 12 Sections.

3.45 p.m. Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8 Sections.

4.15 p.m. Nos. 13, 14, 15 and 16 Sections.

MACHINERY OWN COMPANY.

Friday, 5th July.—  
7.10 a.m.—Beginners' Class at Headquarters.

MOUNDED SECTION.

Thursday, 4th July.—  
5.30 p.m.—At Jockey Club Stables. Dress, drill order without rifles.

Orders for Cadet Company by 2nd Lieutenant J. E. W. Beard.

STRENGTH.

Section Commanders are reminded that lists of all the members of their sections are to reach the O.C. on or before Saturday, 29th June.

PARADES.

Saturday, 6th July.—  
1.30 p.m.—Nos. 3 and 4 Sections fall in at Headquarters to proceed to Sal-Wan.

G. E. STEWART, Captain.

Adjutant, H.K. Defence Corps.

Hongkong, 28th June, 1918.

NOTICE.

SERGEANTS' MESS.

The quarterly meeting of the members of the Sergeants' Mess will be held at Headquarters at 6.30 p.m. on Monday, 6th July. All members not on duty to attend.

The following will serve on the Committee of the Sergeants' Mess for the quarter ending October 1918.—Company Sergeant-Major Duncan, President, Sergeants' Mess Committee, Sergeants' Mess and Barrington, members.

## HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous at 7 p.m.	On date at 7 p.m.	On date at 7 p.m.
Barometer	29.68	29.71	29.71
Temperature	78	80	84
Humidity	93	59	79
Direction of Wind	NW	SW	W
Force	2	4	3
Rain	1.43	0.00	0.32

Highest open air Temperature on the 1st-28 Lowest open air Temperature on the 1st-28  
T. F. CLAXTON, Director, Hongkong Observatory July 3, 1918.

## CAUSES AND CURE FOR DIARRHOEA.

OVEREATING, a change in the temperature, unripe fruit, and impure water are some of the causes of diarrhoea. Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy cures these bowel disturbances promptly. For sale by all chemists and grocers.

## VISITORS AT THE HOTELS.

## HONGKONG HOTEL.

## PRICES.

## Butcher Meat.

## HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

## Lemons, China, Ling Mung, lb. 7

## Lemons, America, San Shan

## Lichees, Dried, (small stones), Ling Mung, 8 each

## Lai Chi Kon, lb. 25

## Orange, (Canton), (Sweet), Shan-sheng Tsin Chang

## Orange, (Canton), looking, Sha Li, 18

## Pear, (Canton), looking, Sha Li, 18

## Peanut, Po Shan, 10

## Persimmons, Large, Hung Tsu, 12

## Plumain, Tai Chi, 3

## Pomeo, Siam, Tim Lo Yau, 10

## Walnut, Hop To, 14

## Grapes, Po Tui, 14